

T-230-1 (First of Six Interviews)  
MAMIE MAYES, CHEROKEE  
INTERVIEWED BY: J. W. TYNER  
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GENERAL SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

PARTICULAR TOPICS DISCUSSED:

INTRODUCTION OF INFORMANT  
MAYES FAMILY TREE  
MAYES COUNTY IS NAMED FOR THE MANY MAYES FAMILIES  
THE CHEROKEE LANGUAGE IS DIFFICULT FOR LITTLE ONES  
TO LEARN IN SCHOOL  
THE CHEROKEE LANGUAGE IS SLOWLY BECOMING LOST  
INDIAN ART AND FAMILY ALBUM  
MAGAZINES AVAILABLE CONCERNING CHEROKEE HERITAGE  
AND LANGUAGE

BACKGROUND OF INFORMANT:

Mamie Mayes was born in 1885. She is a retired school teacher and lives in Pryor, Oklahoma. Mayes County is named for this pioneer family and she is closely related to three Cherokee Chiefs.

(Washie Mayes, brother of Mamie is present and participates in this interview.)

Note: The other interviews on this tape are: Rhoda Sunday Simmons, Cherokee  
Wilburn Battie, Cherokee  
Nancy Wolf, Cherokee  
Jefferson Tindall, Cherokee  
Jensie Dick, Cherokee